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Jennifer,

I am following up on our recent phone conversation. I know you also talked with Jeff Scott about a number of issues. He wanted me to give you a quick status update on where things are and let you know about our discussion with the District. We definitely share your concerns regarding the health of the children and teachers. As always, feel free to contact me if any of this is not clear

Overall, we view the cleaning and testing the District is currently undertaking as positive and appropriate. We continue to provide an extra level of oversight on the PCB work at Malibu, including the current sampling efforts. We have asked the District to promptly notify us if any indoor air measurements exceed our public health screening levels. Fortunately, so far results continue to show no samples with air concentrations above our health-based standards, which I think you would agree is good news. The District has indicated that they will provide periodic summary data reports during the summer to EPA for review. We have discussed with them options for quicker release of information and hope they can come up with a plan for that soon.

As expected based on the previous data, Environ has indicated that some pre-BMP dust samples exceed the regulatory threshold of 10 ug/100cm2. We anticipate that any elevated dust concentrations will be removed during cleaning. Part of the cleaning procedures include a "white glove" test to evaluate the thoroughness of the cleaning. Environ also informed us that certain rooms did not pass the "white glove" test after initial cleaning and therefore a second cleaning was conducted. Confirmation sampling will be taken post cleaning.

As you know, we expect that the District will submit the TSCA required cleanup plan by COB today. The District has assured us that they will make that plan accessible on their website for public review the same day it is sent to us. The District has agreed to accept comments on the cleanup plan until July 18, 2014. Of course, you are also welcome to send your comments directly to me. We will review the plan and consider all comments.

I hope this information is helpful. I definitely share your concerns about the health of the children and teachers. EPA is committed to ensuring that the children and teachers are not unnecessarily exposed to levels of PCBs that will cause harm. Again, feel free to contact me if any of this is not clear.

Hope you have an enjoyable holiday weekend.

Steve

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